

RIVERDALE

Mrs. Agnes Crawford of Breckenridge was a week end guest of her daughter, Mrs. Millard Hopkins.

Mrs. Oliver Birdall of near Clare is here caring for her mother, Mrs. Mary Hyde, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Ross Strong of Shepherdville was a week end guest of Rev. and Mrs. F. R. Strong.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Mallory and son of near Elwell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Horton Friday.

Miss Twila Bradley was home from St. Louis over Sunday.

Forest LaPaugh of near Blanchard was a week end visitor at the home of his brother, George LaPaugh.

Dr. L. S. Morey of Breckenridge was a Riverdale visitor Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. Melvin Budge and children of Ithaca were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Hale Sunday.

Dr. E. M. Highfield was in Alma Thursday attending a meeting of the Gratiot-Isabella-Clare Medical Society.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fisher and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bemis were in Sumner Saturday.

A very large crowd of young people from Alma, Elwell, Sumner and Vestburg attended the dance given by Mr. Johnson at the rink Saturday evening.

Mrs. Hannah Bauer is entertaining relatives from Saginaw.

Mr. Frisbee of Shepherdville was a week end guest of Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Strong.

Mrs. Julia Rice has returned from her three weeks visit with relatives at Lakeview.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moblio visited friends in Alma Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Parks entertained relatives from Edmore last week.

Richard Hudson was an Alma visitor Saturday.

Allan Highfield and Miss Frances Dickinson of Alma were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Highfield Sunday.

Mr. Harlo Parks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Parks, and Miss Treasa Willshire of Seville Center were quietly married last Saturday afternoon by Justice of the Peace S. D. Parks, uncle of the groom. They are now receiving congratulations from their friends. At present they are residing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Parks of his place.

Mrs. Patrick O'Brien of St. Louis was a week end guest of her sister, Mrs. Carrie Treese.

Jay Rice has returned to Saginaw.

The marriage of Mr. George Chase of near Elwell and Miss Helen Van Alstine, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Van Alstine, northeast of town, which occurred last Thursday, Dec. 8, at Mt. Pleasant, has been announced, and they are now receiving congratulations of their many friends here. They will reside in Toledo.

Mrs. Pugsley and Mrs. Williams of Elwell attended the bazaar and supper given by the Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church Friday evening.

Mrs. Daniel Boyer of near Lansing is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Green.

Mrs. E. M. Highfield spent Tuesday at the farm home of Mrs. E. Rockwell, north of Elwell.

Mrs. Peter Britten has been quite ill the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Sturdevant and children spent Sunday with Mrs. John Holland, southwest of town.

Mr. Johnson is advertising a dance to be given at the Pine River Christmas eve, Dec. 24.

Mr. Lacey has fully recovered from his recent illness of pneumonia and is now attending to his duties at the store again.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry King and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben King Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clio Holt, Sunday, Dec. 11, a son, named Robert C. Holt.

J. W. Matthews of Shepherd was a Riverdale caller Monday.

Mrs. Harry Wolfgang has returned from her visit with relatives at Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren VanLeuven entertained relatives from Alma Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whittemore were Alma visitors Tuesday.

We would be pleased to show you samples of Canaan coal. Brown-Ward Co., phone 27-6066.

SUMNER

We just received sad news regarding the recent death of Lot Ferris at Long Beach, Calif. He was a resident of Sumner for 45 years and one of the first settlers in Ferris township, Montcalm Co., coming in there with his uncle, Elijah Ferris, and wife who blazed the trail into Ferris township from Mathertown, Ionia county. He lived to a ripe old age, having reached nearly 85 years. He leaves a widow, nearly his age, also three sons and a daughter, all of whom were with him at the end excepting John Ferris of this place. One son, Chas. H. Ferris, a former Republic employee, will stay with his mother and keep up the home.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Black and Peter Kluse left Monday to attend the State Grange meeting at Flint. R. M. Forquer left Tuesday for California where he will spend the winter with relatives.

Fred Cook and wife were in Alma on business Tuesday.

Art Smith was a business caller at Alma Tuesday.

Carl Leonard was in Ithaca Tuesday.

F. J. Tucker of Alma was in Sumner Monday and Tuesday with his parents.

John Rigglesworth was in Alma on business the first of the week.

The local I. O. O. F. drama "The Village Lawyer" was shown to a good house at Carson City Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Jennie Woodard visited her sister, Mrs. Wolfe, of Alma the first of the week.

Hubert Hicks of Elm Hall was here on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips and grandson, Billy Stoffs, were at Carson City on business Wednesday.

Leo Gee spent Thursday with friends here.

Elmer McClelland and wife, and Bob Lott and wife and daughter, Bernice, of Crystal visited at the Tucker home, Thursday.

James Evey and family of Montana are visiting relatives of this vicinity.

L. M. Forquer of Riverdale was here on business Friday.

Dr. Smith of Alma made a call on J. D. West, Friday.

Mrs. Cleverdon was shopping at Alma on Friday.

Frank Hicks of Alma, the latest Ford acquisition, was in town on business Friday.

Jacob Frye of Middleton visited his sister, Mrs. T. H. Butler, Saturday.

Ben Shaver and wife were week end guests of the latter's father, J. D. Hoffman, of Alma.

Miss Minnie Yolsick enjoyed the week end at her home in Ashley.

James Arnett of Owasco spent the past week with relatives here.

Ellis Ayres was in Ferris township on business Friday.

Wm. Seaman and wife visited her father, Geo. Saunders and family at St. Louis Saturday.

James McNeill and wife of near Alma were in town Monday.

Albert Thompson and friend of Saginaw were in town Monday. Albert was a former resident of Sumner.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fisher were called to Mayville on account of the recent death of her father.

Samuel Cleverdon and family visited his uncle Samuel Hicks of Elm Hall, who is very ill at present.

Dave Mulford and wife visited at the home of their son, E. D. Mulford of Alma on Sunday.

W. L. Miller of Riverdale is a guest at the Woodard home this week.

Ben Bennett and wife of Crystal visited Sunday at the home of L. F. Tucker.

George Allen of Wheeler was in town on business Tuesday.

Dewey Parks of Riverdale was in town on business Tuesday.

Vincent Phillips has returned from Florida where he went on a road job.

ELWELL

Monday afternoon about 5 o'clock O. A. Beach of People's Grain Company was badly burned about the face and left arm while attempting to start an engine in the basement of their elevator here. At the same time he was tending a smaller engine pumping water from a cistern and leaned over to stop small engine holding a lantern in left hand. The lantern being directly over the cistern which had accumulated gas and oil from the engines, exploded, blowing him to the ceiling, tearing his clothing, and burning his face and arms. The jar broke windows and also jarred surrounding houses. He was heard by several who rushed to his aid. Finding Mr. Beach in an unconscious state he was taken to the office where he regained consciousness and was taken to his home and is under the doctor's care. He is improving as rapidly as could be expected.

Peter Weber, who has been ill with tonsillitis for the past few weeks, is able to be out again.

Marie Slingluff was an Alma caller Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Clarence Fairchild and little daughter Lois and Mrs. Ralph Fairchild were Alma callers Thursday.

Several from here attended the shadow social at the Mallory school Friday.

Don Currence of Portland is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Currence, and friends here this week.

John Miller and Chas. Langworthy spent a few days last week at Long Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. George Towersey were Alma callers Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Martell of Edmore is visiting Mrs. George Dalrymple.

Several from here attended the dance in Riverdale Saturday evening.

Mrs. Semore of Saginaw was in town Wednesday soliciting members for the L. O. T. M. hive here.

Mr. Abbott and Mr. Cummings of Milwaukee, Wis., has purchased the barber shop and pool room of Leonard & Son and have taken immediate possession. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard and son George and S. J. Bailey will leave soon for parts of Florida where they will spend the winter.

DAVIS DISTRICT

E. C. Saxton is building an addition to his house.

A dance will be held at the hall, December 22nd.

Clare Foster visited his parents at Corunna over Sunday.

Mrs. Flora Baker left the first of the week to visit relatives at Toledo and Tiffin, Ohio.

Chas. Snyder and family of Emerson spent Sunday at Peter Fuller's.

Walter Stadlerberger is in Toledo this week as delegate for the Eugene Arbor of Gladders.

About twenty-five friends of Wm. Harner and family gave them a pleasant surprise last Friday night. Pedro and games were the order of the evening.

Mrs. Mary Withersell, one of the oldest residents of Gratiot county, passed away at her home, Dec. 13th, at the age of 82 years.

The Gift Shop

Christmas Slippers

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Men's Felt Hats \$1
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